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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HIROSHI ENDO et al.

Application No.: 09/080,861

Filed: May 18, 1998

For: IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM

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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: Frances Hicks
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 23, 2001 for two months from February 23, 2002 to April 23, 2002.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$400.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,


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